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For: USE OF ONE OR MORE ELEMENTS FROM

THE GROUP CONTAINING YTTRIUM, : NEODYMIUM AND ZIRCONIUM AND :

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS

CONTAINING SAID ELEMENTS :

In a communication mailed by this Office on 25 April 2006, the declaration filed on behalf of deceased inventor Bernd HEUBLEIN was dismissed for failure to satisfy 37 CFR 1.42 and 1.497. Specifically, the declaration did not include the citizenship of the deceased inventor, it was missing a page, and the submission did not confirm that the heirs executing the declaration on behalf of the deceased inventor were the deceased inventor's sole heirs.

On 08 June 2006, applicants filed a response to the previous communication that included a revised declaration which includes all pages, sets forth the citizenship of the deceased inventor, and is executed by three persons identified as "Legal Representatives" of the deceased inventor. The declaration is accompanied by a statement confirming that these three are the only legal representatives or heirs of the deceased inventor.

The 08 June 2006 submission satisfies the requirements set forth in the previous Communication. The request for status under 37 CFR 1.42 is therefore **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 08 June 2006.

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